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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

Inventor(s): Tadahiko IKEYA of Hamamatsu-shi, Japan

For: AUTOMATIC PERFORMANCE APPARATUS AND PROGRAM

Enclosed are:

- ☒ FIVE (5) sheets of formal drawings, Figures 1 - 6.
- ☒ An Assignment of the invention to YAMAHA CORPORATION
- ☒ The application claims priority from Japanese Application(s) 2002-378419 filed December 26, 2002.
- ☒ A certified copy of the priority document is enclosed.
- ☒ A Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- ☐ Small entity status is claimed under 37 CFR 1.9 and 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☐ A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.

[X] An Information Disclosure Statement.

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Please record the attached Assignment in the name of the assignor and the assignee as indicated below and return the original document to the undersigned.

1. Name of Conveying Party(ies):

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2. Name and Address of Receiving Party(ies):

YAMAHA CORPORATION
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Shizuoka-ken, JAPAN

3. Execution Date of Assignment: 12/10/03.

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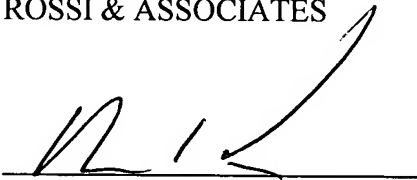
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Respectfully submitted,

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